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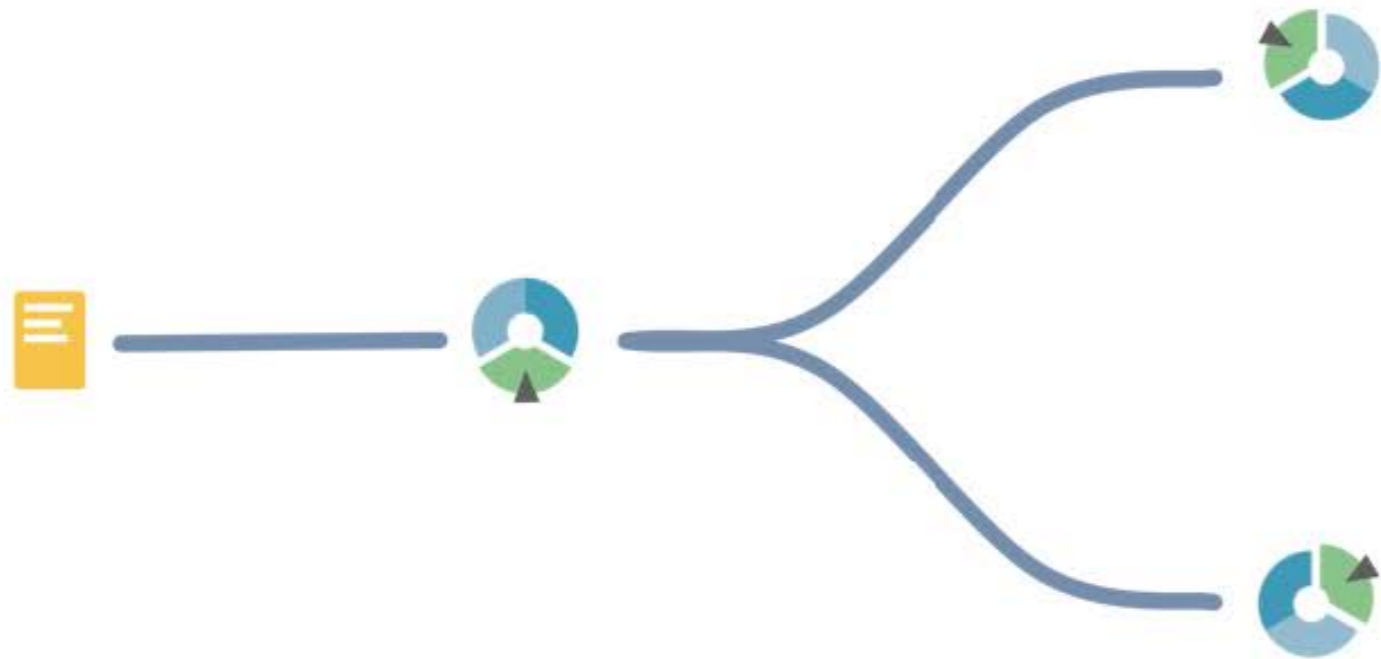
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Courts

Official proceedings records



Records duplicated across functions / official

- ▶ complaints
- ▶ answers
- ▶ evidence (admitted by rule)
- ▶ motions (requests the court do something)
- ▶ briefs / memos (legal analysis + persuasive arguments)
- ▶ orders (instructions from court)
- ▶ result (court findings / grounds / operative / opinion)
- ▶ monitoring (court referee, master supervises result)

Records duplicated across parties / litigation files

- ▶ legal work product (strategy)
- ▶ non legal work product
- ▶ statements under oath (depositions / testimony)
- ▶ statements under oath (interrogatories / written questions)
- ▶ discovery (evidence gathered and selected by rules)

Guidance

Trudy Huskamp Peterson

Temporary Courts, Permanent Records 2008



Courts

Official proceedings records

There are a number of ways to look at the records of the proceedings.

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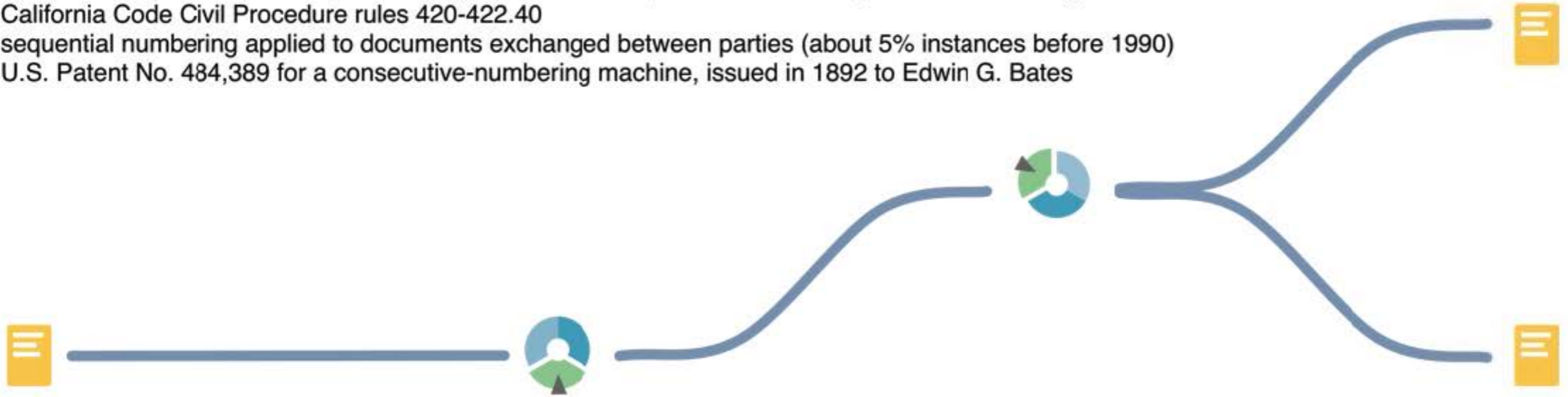
- ▶ what records are created at each stage?
- ▶ who created the record (persons with claim, person defending claim, judges, or organization providing the record)?

Substance

- ▶ the distinction between questions of fact and questions of law is relevant for the decision whether a certain matter is subject to evidence.
- ▶ questions of fact have to be proven by the parties.
- ▶ the obligation to prove certain facts lies normally with the party to which these facts are favorable (LAUSD must prove integrated schools)

Form

- ▶ systematically numbered + captioned (court docket number, this number changes with each court)
- ▶ California Code Civil Procedure rules 420-422.40
- ▶ sequential numbering applied to documents exchanged between parties (about 5% instances before 1990)
- ▶ U.S. Patent No. 484,389 for a consecutive-numbering machine, issued in 1892 to Edwin G. Bates





Docket

A docket sheet is a court's method for managing the documents during litigation. The goal of this project was to digitize a narrowly defined set of the core documents in a case according to international standards and to publish them.

INDEX OF PLEADINGS

Dist. Court of Appeal
Court No. 2d Civ. 50701

File No. 14,880

NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	DATE
1	Petition for Writ of Prohibition and/or Mandate; Request for Temporary Stay of Trial Proceedings Scheduled for 10:00 a.m. in Department 20 on March 23, 1977; Related Appeal Pending; and Memorandum of Points & Authorities (BUSTOP)	Filed 3/22/77
2	Alternative Writ of Mandate	Filed 3/23/77
3	Affidavit of Personal Service of Alternative Writ of Mandate	Filed 3/23/77
4	Answer (Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles) to Petition for Writ of Prohibition and/or Mandate; Memorandum of Points and Authorities	Rec'd 4/4/77
5	Return of Real Parties in Interest, Petitioners in Los Angeles Superior Court No. 882 854 to Alternate Writ of Mandate	Rec'd 4/5/77
6	Reply of Petitioner to Answer of Board of Education, Real Party in Interest, and to "Return" of Plaintiffs	Filed 4/6/77
7	Return of Respondent Court	Rec'd 4/7/77
8	Court of Appeal Opinion (Peremptory Writ Granted)	Filed 4/14/77
9	Petition for Immediate Issuance of Peremptory Writ of Mandate; Declaration of Lee G. Paul	Filed 4/15/77
10	Peremptory Writ of Mandate	Lodged 4/15/77
11	Affidavit of Personal Service of Petitioner for Immediate Issuance of Peremptory Writ of Mandate	Filed 4/15/77
12	Opposition of Mary Ellen Crawford, et al, real Parties in Interest, to Petition for Immediate Issuance of Peremptory Writ of Mandate	Rec'd. 4/18/77
13	Order (directing issuance of peremptory writ of mandate)	Filed 4/18/77
14	Peremptory Writ of Mandate	Filed 4/18/77
15	Declaration of Personal Service of Peremptory Writ of Mandate (Peremptory Writ attached)	Filed 4/19/77
16	Supplemental Return of Service of Peremptory Writ of Mandate	Filed 4/19/77



Official proceeding

This document is a typical official proceeding document identifying the parties (litigants and their attorneys) and the date (procedural history), the case number (note this has changed because it was heard in an Appeals court, and it has the official court clerk authenticating stamp.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
SECOND APPELLATE DISTRICT
DIVISION TWO

BUSTOP, a Corporation,
Petitioner,
vs.
SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES,
Respondent.

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES,
Real Party in Interest.

2d Civ. 50701
(L.A.S.C. No. 822854)

COURT OF APPEAL, SECOND DISTRICT
FILED
AUG 14 1977
CLAY ROBBINS, JR. Clerk
Deputy Clerk

THE COURT:

PROCEEDING IN MANDATE. Peremptory Writ Granted.

PAUL, HASTINGS, JANOFSKY & WALKER,
LEE G. PAUL, PETER D. COLLISON, and
MICHAEL K. LINDSEY for Petitioner.

JOHN H. LARSON, County Counsel, and
JOHN P. FARRELL, Deputy County Counsel
for Respondent Court.

MCCUTCHEN, BLACK, VERLEGER & SHEA
for Real Party in Interest Board of
Education of the City of Los Angeles.

LYNN PINEDA; HALVOR T. MILLER, JR.;
MANNING, REYNOLDS & ROBERTS; A.L.
WIRIN, FRED OKRAND, THOMAS G. NEUSOM,
EDWARD W. MEDVENE; SHOCKLEY, DUFF &
HART-NIBBRIG for Real Parties in Interest
Petitioners in Los Angeles Superior Court
No. 822854.



Minute Order
 Judge Paul Egly 03 23 1977

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Date: Mar. 23, 1977
 HONORABLE PAUL EGLY JUDGE
 Deputy Sheriff

JERBERT H. COX
 Deputy Clerk
 Reporter

(Parties and counsel checked if present)

C 822 854
 Mary Ellen Crawford, etc., et al
 vs
 Board of Education of the City
 of Los Angeles

Counsel for Plaintiff: Fred Grand, Edward H. McEvane, Lynn Pineda
 Counsel for Defendant: Joseph Duff, Harry M. Reynolds, Harold C. Hart-Jibbrig

NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS: William Shea, Finchester Cooley, Robert G. Dumas, Jerry F. Halverson

Motion of Ruth A. Spencer to Intervene Trial (AO)

Motion of Ruth A. Spencer to Intervene is argued and DENIED, but she is allowed to appear in Amici Curiae.

Cause is called for trial.

Respondent waives opening statements. Petitioners make their opening statements.

60p Respondent's exhibit A (Volumes 1 through 3 of Plan for Integration of Pupils and CACSI Report) is admitted into evidence by reference only.

William J. Johnston is sworn and testifies in behalf of the respondent.

Respondent's exhibits B (Organization Chart) and C (Standing Committees of the Board of Education - 1976-77, Card) are marked for identification only.

Harry M. Saunders is sworn and testifies in behalf of the respondent.

Respondent's exhibits D and E (Maps) are admitted into evidence.

Petitioner's motion for the Court to order respondent to pay for a daily transcript is DENIED at this time.

Marvin H. Berden is sworn and testifies in behalf of the respondent.

Trial is recessed to March 24, 1977 at 10:00 AM.

MINUTES ENTERED
 Mar. 23, 1977
 COUNTY CLERK

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MINUTE ORDER



Monitoring

An example of post judgment monitoring of a judgment (or settlement). The panel of experts, its leaders and any data is requested and prepared for the court.



LOS ANGELES SCHOOL MONITORING COMMITTEE

established by the superior court of the county of los angeles

A REPORT ON
ATTENDANCE BOUNDARIES AND
FEEDER PATTERNS IN THE
LOS ANGELES UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT

A REPORT OF THE
MONITORING COMMITTEE
APRIL, 1981

Case No. 822 854

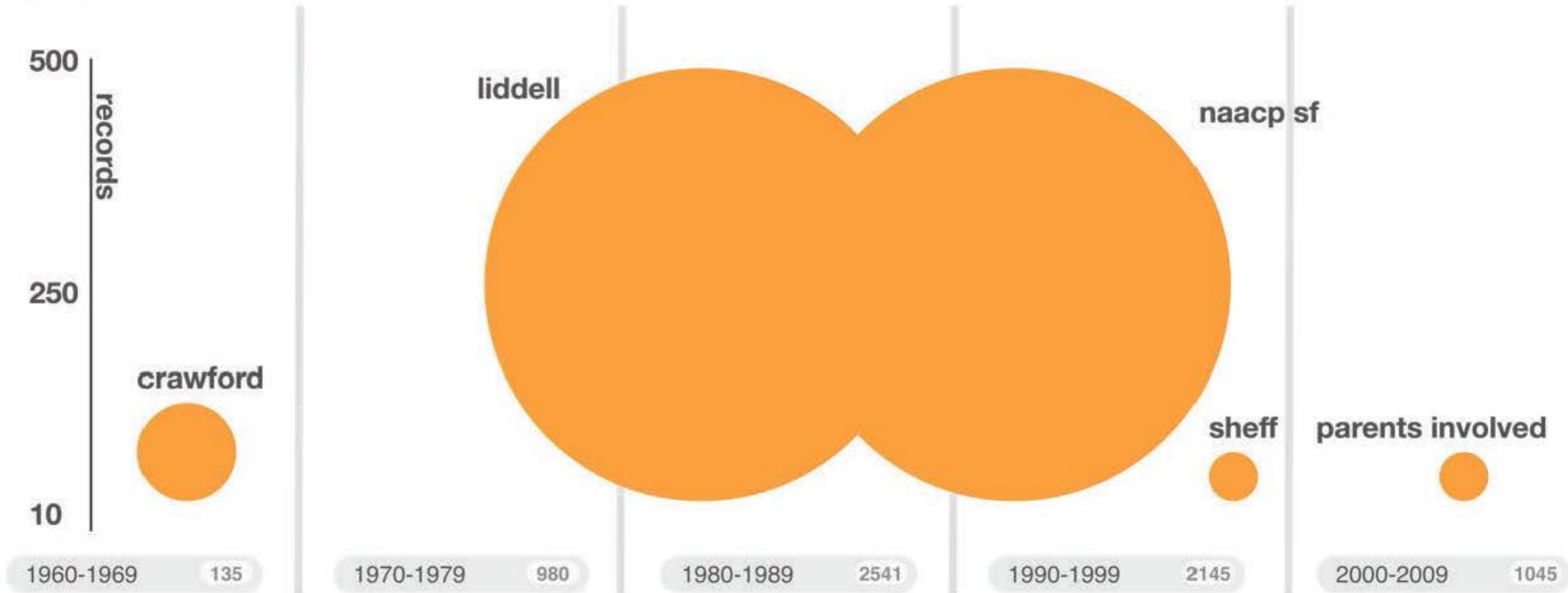
Mary Ellen Crawford, etc., et al.,
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Respondent



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school desegregation

parties (logarithmical)



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The Civil Rights Litigation Clearinghouse collects documents and information from civil rights cases in specific case categories across the United States. It is available to scholars, teachers, students, policymakers, advocates, and the public, to allow greater understanding of civil rights litigation in this country.

Learn more about this growing collection >

Featured Cases

This page of the site highlights cases that seem to us particularly interesting—because they are being litigated right now, or because they involve large numbers of people and very consequential issues, or because of their historical importance. But there are hundreds of cases in the Clearinghouse that could equally well qualify for “featured” status. We hope you enjoy exploring the collection.

Olmstead v. L.C.

April 29, 2013

In this landmark case, brought in 1995, decided by the Supreme Court in 1999, and concluded in the district court in 2000, persons unnecessarily confined to institutions for care relating to mental or intellectual disabilities won the right to state-funded community-based treatment options. The U.S. Supreme Court held that unjustified segregation in institutions constitutes illegal discrimination, under the Americans with Disabilities Act, not only because it perpetuates unwarranted assumptions that people with disabilities are incapable or unworthy of participating in community life, but because confinement in an institution severely curtails everyday life activities, such as family relations, social contacts, work, educational advancement and cultural enrichment. The Supreme Court decision has led to an entire category of litigation (usually referred to as “Olmstead litigation”); the Clearinghouse has collected over a hundred of these cases [here](#).

Relevant case(s) include:
Olmstead v. L.C. (GA)

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Supreme Court Review of Two

On March 26, 2013, the Supreme Court heard argument in two of the cases listed below, each dealing with same-sex marriage—Perry and Windsor. In the Perry case, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals held that California's Proposition 8, which barred application of the label of “marriage” to same-sex civil unions, violated the Equal Protection Clause. The Court added to the issues under review whether the supporters of Proposition 8 had standing to appeal the federal court decision striking it down, given that the state government was *not* appealing. In Windsor, the Second Circuit Court of Appeals held the Defense of Marriage Act unconstitutional. The Supreme Court also added the questions whether the Obama administration's agreement that DOMA is unconstitutional deprives the Supreme Court of jurisdiction to decide the case; and whether the Bipartisan Legal Advisory Group of the United States House of Representatives has Article III standing.

Decision is expected by the end of June. The Clearinghouse's full collection of same-sex marriage cases is available [here](#).

Relevant case(s) include:
Hollingsworth v. Perry (CA)
Pedersen v. Office of Personnel Management (CT)
Massachusetts v. U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (MA)
Gill v. Office of Personnel Management (MA)
Golinski v. U.S. Office of Personnel Management (CA)
Windsor v. United States (NY)
Diaz v. Brewer (AZ)

Clearinghouse Special Collections

The Civil Rights Litigation Clearinghouse has assembled a number of special case collections. These are accessible from the [case search page](#), or right from this list:

- Civil rights receiverships
- Same-sex marriage cases
- Contraception insurance mandate
- California jail population cap cases
- Jail strip search cases
- Disability deinstitutionalization cases

Employment discrimination cases:

- Multi-author Study of EEOC litigation, 1997 to 2006
- Private employment class actions
- Multi-organization Consent Decree Study

In addition, we have grouped together cases brought by the same law offices, including (for example) the [U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division](#); the [national ACLU](#); the [Prison Law Office](#); and others. These too are accessible



EEOC Litigation Project

October 23, 2012

In a large-scale research project funded by the National Science Foundation, scholars associated with the Civil Rights Litigation Clearinghouse, at Washington University in St. Louis and the University of Michigan, have collected data on federal court litigation brought between 1997 and 2006 by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), the federal agency charged with enforcing the laws forbidding discrimination by private employers on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, and disability. The data capture various aspects of the agency's litigation activities, including detailed information regarding the participants, motions, events, and outcomes. The project is described and the data posted [here](#). And for each case included, the Clearinghouse posts, [here](#), the available key documents -- the docket sheet, complaint, and injunction/settlement/court order.

Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka

August 1, 2011

Even though this is the most famous civil rights case ever, the relevant litigation documents are not easy to come by. The Supreme Court decisions, in 1954 (announcing the rule that “separate is inherently unequal”) and 1955 (announcing that remediation of Jim Crow school segregation could proceed “with all deliberate speed”), were obviously extraordinarily important, and are easily available. But the litigation in Topeka lasted from the filing of the [first complaint](#) in 1951 until final dismissal of the case in 1999. The Clearinghouse has copies of many of the crucial documents in the case.

Relevant case(s) include:
Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka (KS)

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Collaboration / Civil Rights Litigation Clearinghouse

This facility was **born digital** (captures 100% post 1990)

It has **user experience design (UX)**

It has **Social Networks Archival Context architecture (SNAC) / CDL + Berkeley**

It has **stable foundation + institutional support**

It integrates **academic teaching + legal practice communities**

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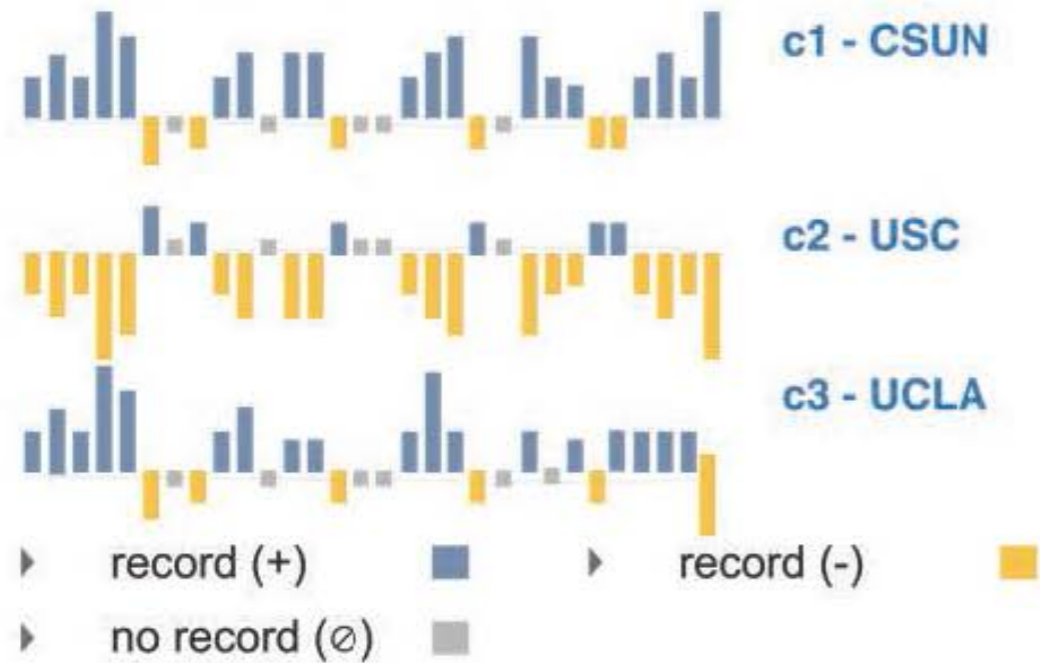
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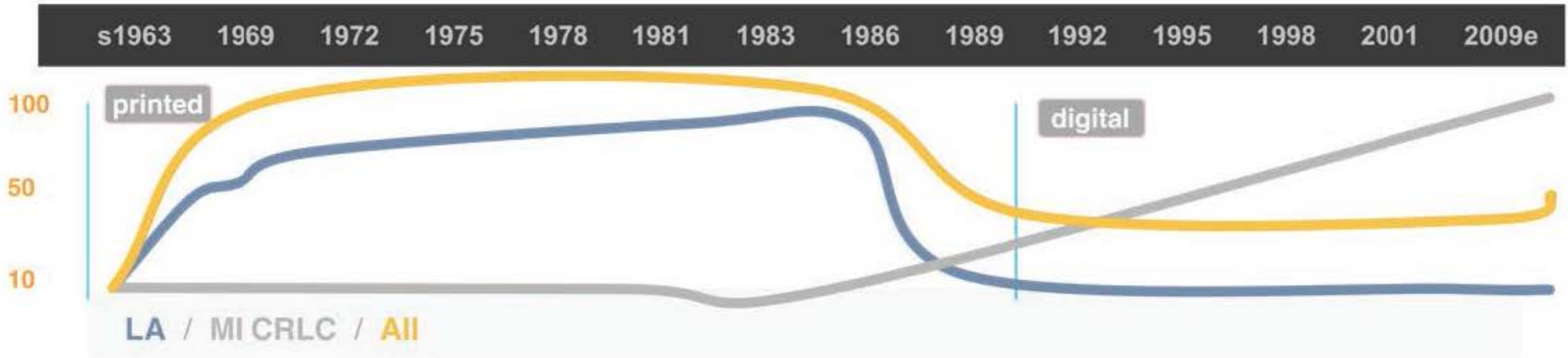
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Records from disparate collections aligned with case history

The Michigan Clearinghouse offers teachers + students, policymakers, the public, judges, lawyers and the media a powerful research tool that provides a detailed look into the workings of United States courts and class action litigation. Digitized and linked high archival value records (for example **113 linear feet from the Los Angeles School Monitoring Committee Records, no available digital records**) are published to a single website with its own full-text search engine. Accessing this site, each user can form her own opinion as to the nature of the litigation. The dissemination of information and the forces of public interest disclosures are among the most important archival goals.



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1 judge + 5 monitors + 9 experts + 48 attorneys = 63 persons

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Date Mar. 14, 1977 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
HONORABLE PAUL EGLY JUDGE
M. MITCHELL Deputy Sheriff

HERBERT H. COX
JONE
, Deputy Clerk
, Reporter
(Parties and counsel checked if present)

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C 822 854
Mary Ellen Crawford, etc.,
et al

vs

Board of Education of the
City of Los Angeles

Counsel for
~~Plaintiff~~ Fred Okrand
Edward M. Medvene
Ptrs. Lynn Pineda
~~Respondent~~ Joseph Duff
~~Intervenor~~ Harry M. Reynolds
Counsel for Respondent and
Intervenors listed on Page 2

NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS: Order on 3-11-77 Submission (A0)
Motions to Intervene

The Supreme Court of California has determined in this matter that the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles has a constitutional duty to proceed with plans and steps to desegregate the schools within its district. This case is now on remand to this Court with the specific direction that it first look to the plans that were to be formulated by the Board to insure that the plans presented and filed with this Court by the respondent have met the constitutional standards in response to the mandate.

Therefore, within that frame or reference, the stated function of this Court in this portion of the proceedings is limited. There is not, at the present time, the necessity or requirement that the broad equity powers inherent in this Court for the enforcement of injunction or mandate decrees should be called into play. Consequently, until and unless such need arises, the present duty of this Court is to review the plans as presented, to approve in whole or in part, or to disapprove in whole or in part, those plans as measured by the rule of law of this case.

Section 387 of the Code of Civil Procedure allows a person to bring a motion for intervention when ". . . any person, . . . has an interest in the matter of litigation or the success of either of the parties, or an interest against both. . . ." It cannot be denied that where the constitutional duty of a public body is in issue, all persons subject to the jurisdiction of that public body have an interest in the performance, non-performance, and manner of performance of that body, both in the legal sense that such persons' rights are affected and in the ordinary English language meaning of that word. But in this proceeding, which tests whether or not the political body acted, or if it has, whether the manner of its performance meets the constitutional mandate, the democratic processes of the formulation of that plan should, within constitutional limits, be left to that body.

Each of the proposed intervenors in this case has expressed his desire to see that the manner of the Board's exercise of its duty take into account the white students, i.e., B. E. S. T., Clark, et al., Dreebin, et al.; or that the Board not use the technique of mandatory assignment and busing, i.e., BUSTOP; or an alternate overall plan or technique in the exercise of its function, i.e., Diane Watson.

It is the Court's opinion that all of these proposed intervenors have an interest which at this point is not a constitutional interest but a function of how to perform a political duty in a constitutional manner. At this point of the proceedings, this is better left to (cont. page 2)

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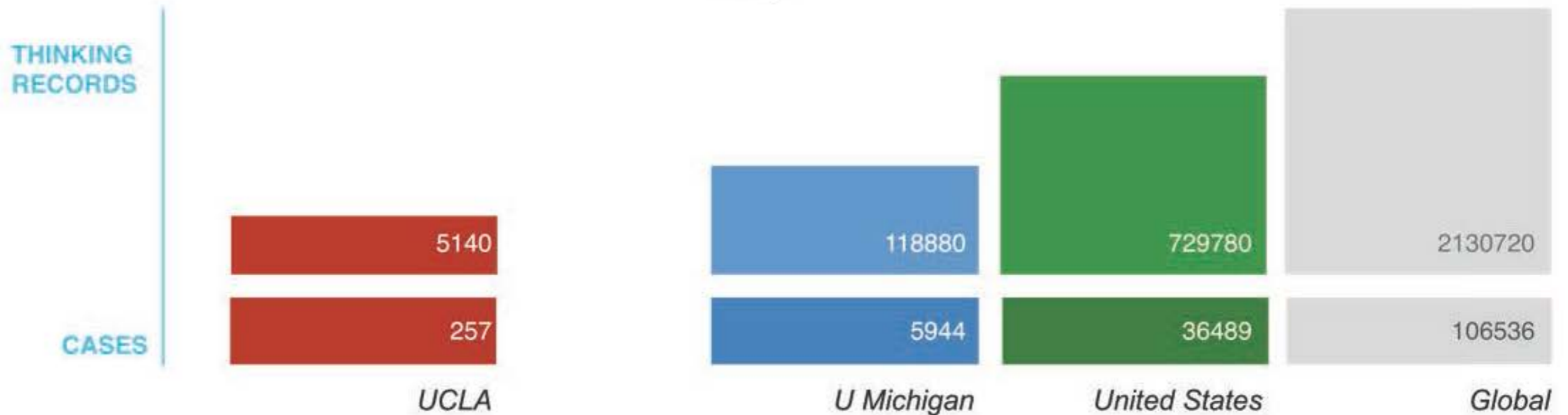


Civil Rights Project

Making hidden records thinking records

Moving from paper to (potentially) Legal XML case archives

The demonstration project has allowed UCLA / University of Michigan Law School to embrace a responsibility for operating a Civil Rights judicial archives center. A single, purpose built facility allows archivists, lawyers, litigants and social science researchers to handle a defined set of records with high present / future use values. The project has uncovered hidden materials (within a center of excellence), provided important comparative contexts for their use (teaching, guiding future advocacy) and allow copies to be distributed widely.





One aspect?

Better descriptive standards allow optimal details to emerge.

Primary value users need to identify the records because they are **current actors** and the **functional successors of prior litigants**. In the future, judges, attorneys (law students) and the US and international public will need the records in various circumstances.

Secondary value users (specialized fields) want evidence of **what the organization that created the records did or how it used the information**. This use may show how the organization worked: for example, how did the parties develop **a value (tree) analysis of a highly complex desegregation plan**? What was the process by which the court entered into monitoring arrangements?

Other secondary value users (for example **current and future UCLA students and their faculty**) are interested in informational value, which includes everything else that might be learned from the records.

Tertiary value users publish structured data that **allows metadata to be connected and enriched**, so that different representations of the same content can be found, and links made between related resources.

Proposed revisions to descriptive standards were submitted to the Society of American Archivists **Technical Subcommittee on Describing Archives: A Content Standard** TS-DACS. You can see those recommendations **here**.

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MPLP 1 time processing
anticipate digital conversion

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✓ really?

Mary Crawford

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017 May, Loretta
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021 Wright, Alfred
022 Wright, Margaret

Yes

No

✓ do you need it? / will you use it?

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c822854 J01 1963-1977 Gitelson, Alfred
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c822854 J02 1977-1980 Egly, Paul

Court Appeal California 2 second Appellate District
Division 2 two case
50701 J03 1977 Mosk, Stanley J04 J05

United States Supreme Court case
8138 Burger Court J06 to J14 (1981-1986) 8-1



Identities

Class actions are brought by 10s of plaintiffs on behalf of 1000s of similarly situated persons. Their unique lives, experiences, locations and identities are worth of archival preservation

Noticed: **1** the lead plaintiff is often excused from the action at an early stage **2** the identities of all parties is found only at the start of a case; afterwards, even the courts rely on a minimal (one named plaintiff) **3** the defendants are government bodies, like school boards whose politics and composition changes over time **4** the data (evidence), arguments, factual analyses are both local (in Los Angeles) and comparative (remedies in Los Angeles are compared to Boston, Saint Louis, Denver) **5** courts often have political and social dimensions; the legal outcomes at one level of the courts may differ from other(s).

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-  Crawford, Mary (1963 minor, Negro student David Starr Jordan High 33°56'55.91" N 118°14'41.04" W)
-  by Crawford, Ellen (1963 court appointed guardian representing the interests of persons under 18 eighteen guardian ad litem)
-  Watkins, Inita (1963 minor, Negro student David Starr Jordan High 33°56'53.67" N 118°14'01.17" W)
-  by Watkins, Clara (1963 court appointed guardian representing the interests of persons under 18 eighteen guardian ad litem)
-  Miles, Dolly Ruth (1966 minor 14, Negro student Markham Junior High)



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-  Miles, Verde Darnell (1966 minor 11, Negro student Ritter Elementary)
-  Miles, Maryann (1966 minor 07, Negro student attending an unspecified school)
-  by Miles, Annie Mary (1966 Negro court appointed guardian representing the interests of persons under 18 eighteen guardian ad litem)
-  Rodriquez, David (1966 minor 06, Mexican descent attending an unspecified school)
-  by Rodriquez, Celia (1966 Mexican descent court appointed guardian representing the interests of persons under 18 eighteen guardian ad litem)



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-  Sanchez, Patricia Ann (1966 minor 10, Mexican descent attending Soto Street Elementary)
-  Sanchez, Raymon Jose (1966 minor 12, Mexican descent attending Hollenbeck Junior High)
-  Sanchez, Raoul Joaquin (1966 minor 12, Mexican descent attending Hollenbeck Junior High)
-  by Sanchez, Josefa (1966 Mexican descent court appointed guardian representing the interests of persons under 18 eighteen guardian ad litem)
-  Wheeler, Karen Patricia Lynn (1966 minor 05, Negro student attending an unspecified school)



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-  by Sanchez, Josefa (1966 Mexican descent court appointed guardian representing the interests of persons under 18 eighteen guardian ad litem)
-  Wheeler, Karen Patricia Lynn (1966 minor 05, Negro student attending an unspecified school)
-  by Wheeler, Kaye (1966 Negro court appointed guardian representing the interests of persons under 18 eighteen guardian ad litem)
-  May, Loretta (1966 minor 14, Negro student attending Markham Junior High)
-  May, Lenard (1966 minor 12, Negro student attending Markham Junior High)



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-  by May, Lucille (1966 Negro court appointed guardian representing the interests of persons under 18 eighteen guardian ad litem)
-  Wright, Autumn Renee (1966 minor 05, Negro student attending Trinity Street Elementary)
-  by Wheeler, Kaye (1966 Negro court appointed guardian representing the interests of persons under 18 eighteen guardian ad litem)
-  Wright, Alfred Graylin (1966 minor 08, Negro student attending Mar Vista Elementary)
-  Wright, Margaret (1966 Negro court appointed guardian representing the interests of persons under 18 eighteen guardian ad litem)



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Caughey, John (1977 former professor history University California Los Angeles + co editor Los Angeles: Biography of a City University California Press 1977, co author School segregation on our doorstep: the Los Angeles story 1966 34°04'03.63" N 118°29'54.35" W)

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(expert) witness / intervenor / amici / John Caughey



Is data important to desegregation litigation?

(1971) A desegregated school was defined as **one whose racial composition is roughly the same as the racial composition of the entire school system**; that is, desegregation equals racial balance.

(1975) A second definition of desegregation is measured by a summary statistic - the **index of interracial exposure**. The interracial exposure index reflects both the **extent of racial balance** and the **absolute level of contact**, the percentage of white in the average black (or minority) child's school.

(1977-1998 and beyond) Efforts to measure the impact of desegregation from the effects of many other factors. **Crawford involved Multi Attribute Utility / Value Tree Analysis**, derided by its critics as “totally unacceptable” (because human factors are rarely reducible to quantification).

Desegregation triggers a variety of institutional adaptations. **Crawford** judge appointed (1) a **referee**; (2) a **monitoring committee**; (3) an **expert committee** (8 members); (4) imposed a number of **reporting requirements**; (5) retained a **consulting firm** to measure compliance with the court orders.

An example is a **computer simulation of 17 desegregation plan variants** which cost **\$171,210** (**2013** value **\$548,940**). According to Crawford class lead attorney **Fred Okrand** “... these simulations based upon all the suggestions that had been made [produced] books about **two feet high of computer printouts** ... And out of all of that, [Judge] Egly ... devised the so-called Egly plan, which ... did, go into effect in September 1980”. See **UCLA Oral History Interview 1984**.



Does the Civil Rights Project monitor and support school desegregation?

The **Integration Report** is produced by the **Initiative on School Integration** at The Civil Rights Project/Proyecto Derechos Civiles (**24 issues per year**).

In **Hartford**, a legal decision created a system of **regional magnet schools** that attract students of color from the impoverished city and students from the working-class towns and affluent suburbs that surround it.

In **Boston, Palo Alto, and St. Louis**, students from the city voluntarily **board buses** to attend suburban schools.

In Louisville, educators employed **Opportunity Mapping** and decided to retain a **school choice system** that achieves racial diversity.

In Omaha, cities and suburbs created a **joint tax-sharing program** to fund schools that bring together students from across the region.

In Montclair, a racially diverse group of parents works to strengthen **magnet schools** that bring together students from varying racial and economic groups.

In Montgomery County, Maryland, community members develop **action plans** to improve opportunity for students of color and to build community in their diverse schools.



Are persons involved in (Crawford) attached to other special collections?

Armor, David

**expert, RAND consultant, LAUSD
board member (1985)**

**Professor Emeritus of Public Policy
George Mason University**

Echaveste, Maria

**staff US Commission on Civil Rights,
Crawford hearings 1976**

**Policy + Program Development Director Chief
Justice Earl Warren Institute on Law and
Social Policy; spouse Christopher Edley UC
Berkeley Law**

Fisher, Raymond

private practice attorney

**Judge, US Court of Appeals for the
Ninth Circuit 1999-present**

Jones, Nathaniel

general counsel NAACP

**Judge, US Court of Appeals for the
Sixth Circuit 1979-2002**

Price, Monroe

professor UCLA / court referee

**Director University of Pennsylvania Center for
Global Communication Studies (CGCS) / Director
Stanhope Centre for Communications Policy
Research (London UK)**

Yudof, Mark

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